

SEE WEDNESDAY'S REPUBLIC FOR LEADING MERCHANTS' MIDWEEK BARGAINS.

SUBURBAN CAR
RUNS TWO BLOCKS
WITH NO MOTORMAN

John Cahill Falls From
the Front Platform
and Is Killed.

CONDUCTOR TO THE RESCUE.

Applies Brakes and Shuts Off
Current at Sharp Curve on
Wash Street.

BODY FOUND NEAR TRACKS.

Police Are at a Loss to Account
for the Peculiar Manner of
Cahill's Death, and Are
Making an Invest-
igation.

Suburban car No. 136, containing twelve passengers, ran at a high rate of speed for more than two blocks with no one at the controller, after the motorman, James Cahill, had fallen from the front platform. The latter was found dead near the corner of Sixteenth and Wash streets.

The accident occurred shortly after 8 o'clock, and the first intimation that either the conductor, James E. Sullivan, or the passengers had that they were in a "wild" car was when the coach made the turn at the corner of Fourteenth and Wash streets.

The car struck the curve at a high rate of speed, throwing the passengers about and nearly knocking the conductor from his feet.

The latter rushed to the front end of the car and found that there was no one there. He threw off the power and applied the brake, bringing the car to a stop.

After stopping the car, the conductor rushed up Wash street to look for the missing motorman. Seeing a crowd near Sixteenth street he investigated and found Cahill.

He had sustained a fracture of the skull and his neck was broken. Both eyes were discolored, and above the right eye was a cut two inches long. He had bled considerably from this wound, a large pool of blood having formed where he was lying.

Cahill was 35 years old, about 6 feet tall and weighed 160 pounds. He drank very little, and, according to Sullivan, had drunk nothing at all yesterday. He was not subject to fainting fits, and it is hardly probable that he could have fainted and fallen off, as the gate was open.

The gates on front platforms are nearly always closed when the car is in motion. They swing toward the inside and it is impossible to push one of them outward without breaking it. This gate was in good condition after Cahill was found in the street.

There was no plausible reason for the gate being open except that it had been opened to allow some one to get on. If some one did get on and throw Cahill from the car, he escaped without being seen.

Conductor Sullivan said that the last time he was on the front platform there were no passengers there and no one had gone to that platform through the car. No one could be found that saw the man fall from the car.

Cahill was unmarried. He was born in Ireland, came to St. Louis twenty years ago and has worked on street railways for twelve years.

WILL OFFER A BIG PURSE.
Memphis Anxious for Dan Patch—Prince Alert Match.

Memphis, Tenn., Oct. 25.—Following the challenge issued by Demarest, the driver of Prince Alert (1:57) to race Dan Patch (1:58) at the Memphis track on November 1st for a purse of \$25,000, President F. Q. Jones of the Memphis Trotting Association announced to-night that he would offer a suitable purse for the race on behalf of the association.

WHOLE TOWN IS ENDANGERED.
Truckee, Cal., Appeals for Relief From Flames.

Sacramento, Cal., Oct. 25.—Word has been received from Truckee, Cal., that the town is endangered by fire, which has already burned the Truckee lumber mill and a large amount of lumber.

The water supply of the town is exhausted. A fire engine has been sent from this city by special train.

Miss Alice Roosevelt Arrives.
Chicago, Oct. 25.—Miss Alice Roosevelt arrived at Chicago this afternoon to be the guest for a week of Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Gibson. Miss Roosevelt and Mrs. Gibson were schoolmates.

CALIFORNIA AERONAUT WILL ATTEMPT TO FLY FROM
SAN FRANCISCO TO ST. LOUIS FASTER THAN A TRAIN.

DOCTOR AUGUST GRETH OF SAN FRANCISCO AND HIS AIRSHIP, IN WHICH HE SAILED OVER THE CITY.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

San Francisco, Oct. 25.—Doctor August Greth, who astonished all San Francisco last Sunday by navigating above the city in his airship, is sanguine of winning the \$100,000 prize at the St. Louis World's Fair, and is laying plans for a new and improved machine which he says will surpass that of Santos-Dumont.

When completed Doctor Greth contemplates an aerial flight to St. Louis from San Francisco and believes that he will be able to beat the railway time for the distance, if weather conditions be favorable.

He is of the opinion that a trip through the air between the two cities would be of material aid in preparing him for the World's Fair competition. Doctor Greth expects to complete his new airship about the middle of November. After test maneuvers over the city he will start for St. Louis.

CAR KILLS ONE
AND INJURES TWO.

Louis Rodol Meets Death While
Driving on South Broad-
way.

CREW RELEASED BY CHIEF.

Accident Ends Fishing Trip and
Results in Painful Bruises
to Leher and John-
son.

Louis Rodol of No. 121 South street
was instantly killed early yesterday morn-
ing by being dragged by a Broadway street
car.

The accident ended a fishing excursion
which had been planned by Rodol, William
Leher of No. 120 South street and Henry
Johnson of No. 110 Marion street. Leher
and Johnson were painfully injured.

Guy Burton, the conductor, and Levator
Ford, the motorman, were arrested, but
were later released by order of Chief
Klely.

Shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday morn-
ing the three young men started in a
wagon from Rodol's house to drive to the
Hill Lake fishing grounds.

In front of No. 618 South Broadway, one
of the young men said to Leher, who was
driving, that a car was coming. It was
then, Leher says, more than a block
away, and he declares that the car was
not ringing, and that the car was travel-
ing at a high speed.

Rodol fell directly in front of the car,
which ran 150 feet before it could be
stopped. Rodol was found under the for-
ward truck, dead.

Leher was picked up unconscious and
carried to the office of Doctor Clarence
E. Walker, where it was found that his
collar bone was broken and his scalp cut
in several places. Johnson was badly
bruised about the side and back and was
also unconscious when attended by the
physician.

Rodol's body was taken to the morgue.
Leher's injuries are quite painful, though
not considered dangerous. He says that
the accident was the fault of the motom-
an, who failed to sound the bell or to
make any effort to stop until he hit the
wagon.

HENRY TEEPE DIES
OF HYDROPHOBIA.

Death Ends Horrible Suffering of
Man Who Was Bitten by
a Stray Dog.

MANY SPASMS RACKED BODY.

City Hospital Physicians Worked
Hard With Unfortunate
Young Man, but to
No Avail.

Hydrophobia, with its horrible suffering,
caused the death of 28-year-old Henry
Teepe at the City Hospital yesterday. For
several hours before his death Teepe had
convulsion after convulsion, and expired
in great agony. All the attendant symp-
toms that make this malady such a ter-
rible affliction were present and were de-
veloped to a marked degree.

His mouth was foam-flecked and care
had to be taken by the attendants to pre-
vent him from biting in the successive
spasms which racked his body. During
the short intervals between spasms Teepe
was rational, but the peculiar hunted, ter-
rified look which accompanies rabies was
present at all times. A look as of fear of
some awful, impending danger seemed to
possess the unfortunate man and death
was a relief.

The hospital physicians did all in their
power by the use of narcotics to alleviate
the suffering of Teepe. But for their mer-
ciful ministrations his death would have
been even more terrible than it was.

Ten weeks ago Teepe was bitten by a
stray dog in the vicinity of his home at
No. 825 Chambers street. He was on his
way home when the accident happened.
It was raining, and in his hurry he did
not notice a wet, bedraggled dog in his
path. The animal was small and inoffen-
sive. Teepe passed close to it and the
dog leaped up and bit his hand. The
wound was a trivial one, but Teepe
washed it well and thought no more of
the incident, as he healed rapidly and
finally practically all trace of the abrasion
was gone.

Friday the locality around where the
wound had been became hardened and
numb. The sensation increased and finally
Teepe noticed that when he saw water
a slight paralysis of the throat would en-
sue. He went to the City Hospital yester-
day and stated his symptoms to the
physicians. He was at once sent to the
tetanus ward, although the symptoms of
hydrophobia were not very well developed.

The wild stare had not developed and the
aversion to water when he first arrived
was not as pronounced as in well-devel-
oped cases of rabies. Later in the day,
however, the symptoms showed plainly,
and by night it was necessary to restrain
Teepe. He rapidly became more violent
and the spasms occurred more frequently
until he expired at 8:45 yesterday morn-
ing.

A pathetic incident in connection with
Teepe's case was the reconciliation be-
tween him and a brother that occurred
shortly before his death. The two had
been estranged for some time. The brother
was in constant attendance, and did
everything possible to lessen his suffering.

ASKED HIGH PRICE
FOR "BLAIR STORY"

James T. Roberts Industiously
Peddled His Charges Before
Selling Them.

EVANS DICK SCORES METHODS

Said to Have Demanded Fifty
Per Cent of Amount He
Claims to Have Saved
Philadelphia Firm.

James T. Roberts, the man who sold
"the Blair story" to the Globe-Democrat,
and who peddled his own charges to the
various St. Louis newspapers prior to his
going before the Grand Jury, last Fri-
day, is said to have demanded a fancy
price for his information when he deliv-
ered it to Dick Bros. of Philadelphia
and the trustees of the Blow estate in
St. Louis.

Just what sum Roberts expected to get
for his information is not known, for
even those in whom he confided were not
informed on this point. He often dis-
cussed, with a man who had his confi-
dence, what his remuneration should be,
and in these conversations he said that he
had been paid something for his trouble,
but not enough to satisfy him for the
work performed.

Attorney Robert, who had charge of
the Blow estate, has refused to divulge
any information regarding a monetary
transaction between Roberts and his
clients, but it is believed Roberts received
a good sum, but not what he expected.

One of Roberts's confidants has admitted
that Roberts several times stated that
he should have had at least 50 per cent
of the money he saved Dick Bros.
This would have been a commission of
\$120,000, according to his figures. He did
not get near that sum, however, for Rob-
erts's confidant sold a Republic repre-
sentative that after awhile he would
have been eager to take 25 per cent of the
gross amount, and still later 10 per cent.

This leaves his "fee" within the \$2,400-
mark for his trips to the Eastern bank-
ers.

Other means to raise money were then
resorted to, and the newspapers were of-
fered "the whole story" for a consid-
eration.

James D. Simms, who has floured in the
case as attorney for Roberts, appeared at
The Republic office last week and tried to
dispose of the story. He claimed to have
all the facts and also offered to the Post-
Dispatch, and later the article found its
way into the Globe-Democrat by the "fee"
route.

He knew that if he went to the Grand
Jury room first, the chances for his narra-
tive being made public might be postponed
indefinitely. During the time he was
whipping the story together, it is said, he
did not even stop to eat.

In a statement to The Republic, made
by Evans Dick in the name of the Dick
Bros. concern, Roberts was scored by
that member of the firm for the methods
he had used in making public the "Blair
story."

CARRIES \$1,000,000
LIFE INSURANCE.

If James L. Blair Should Die, He
Would Leave a Fortune
in Policies.

PAYS BIG ANNUAL PREMIUM.

Insurance Authority Says Mr.
Blair's Insurance Costs Him
Not Less Than \$35,000
a Year.

If James L. Blair should die his heirs
and other beneficiaries would receive up-
ward of \$1,000,000 in life insurance.

A representative of one of the big com-
panies, who has an intimate knowledge of
Mr. Blair's insurance, stated positively
last night that Mr. Blair's insurance
amounted to \$1,000,000, and possibly more.
The companies holding the largest
amount of insurance for Mr. Blair are
the Mutual Life Insurance Company and
the New York Life. Mr. Blair carries
\$300,000 each with these companies. He
was formerly and is now insured for the
Mutual Life Insurance Company.

The balance of the \$600,000 is distributed
among various companies.

Within the last two years, according
to this same authority, Mr. Blair has
taken out \$200,000 in life insurance. This
discredits a report that has been given
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PHYSICIANS BELIEVE BLAIR
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Condition Is Regarded as Critical, but the Doctors
Think Chances for Recovery Are Good—Col-
lapse Caused by Intense Nervous Strain.

MRS. BLAIR RECEIVES INTIMATE FRIENDS

STATEMENT OF JUDGE SEDDON
IN REGARD TO ROBERTS'S STORY.

BY JUDGE JAMES A. SEDDON.
BLAIR'S FORMER LAW PARTNER.

The statement in the Globe-Democrat of Sunday morning would
seem to leave the impression that I had not only authorized, but ac-
tually asked James T. Roberts to make a statement to the public con-
cerning his detailed interview of October 24 inst.

Neither he nor any one else has been or is authorized by me to
make any statement for me. Whatever I wish to state to the public I
will say directly and not through an intermediary.

On Saturday an acquaintance telephoned to my office requesting
me to call at his office on my return from lunch, on some matter, as
I assumed, of importance. I did call and to my surprise I found Rob-
erts there.

I did say to him that certain facts which he stated to me last sum-
mer and which I had then denounced as a lie had been by me verified.

As to verifying his lengthy interview of October 24, I could not
do so, since the greater portion of it is composed of statements which
I could have no means of verifying.

Far be it from me to express any opinion to or in any way to
prejudice the public in regard to the charges made against Mr. Blair
which are now being investigated by the Grand Jury, as he has re-
peatedly stated, at his own request.

"Mr. Blair's collapse was due chiefly to the
agitated state of his mind, to his long exposure in
the open air on Saturday afternoon, and to the
number of visitors who called upon him.

"He had not been receiving newspaper re-
porters or visitors. These long conversations ex-
ercised him too much. He was not equal to the
task."

The foregoing statements were the rea-
sons given for Mr. Blair's collapse, last
Saturday, to a Republic reporter by Doc-
tor George Homan, chief of the staff of
physicians who have been in constant at-
tendance upon the former General Counsel
of the World's Fair since his dramatic
collapse on the south porch of his country
home near Kinross, last Saturday.

The attending physicians acknowledge
that in the diagnosis of Mr. Blair's case
after the collapse there were found traces
of morphia poisoning, but Doctor Homan
gives other reasons as the cause for the
collapse.

**MORPHINE WAS
NOT PRESCRIBED.**
Doctor Homan was asked last night if he
had ever prescribed morphine as a stimu-
lant for the patient. He replied that he
had not.

When asked if Mr. Blair had not been
taking morphine as a stimulant without
the instruction of his physician, Doctor
Homan said that he could not answer the
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The symptoms in Mr. Blair's case last
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Blair, has remained at his father's bed-
side almost constantly since the collapse.
Mrs. Blair has carefully looked after ev-
ery detail which would tend to promote
the comfort of the stricken man.

Gave His Papers Away.

A man wearing the badge of a carrier of
the Globe-Democrat visited the vicinity
of the home of James L. Blair Saturday
morning and distributed a large number
of free copies of the paper containing the
charges that had been made against Mr.
Blair by James T. Roberts.

LEADING TOPICS

TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT
6:21 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 5:58.
THE MOON SETS THIS EVENING
AT 10:30.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

For Missouri—Fair and cooler Mon-
day, Tuesday, warmer.
For Illinois—Fair and cooler Mon-
day, Tuesday, warmer.
For Texas—Fair Monday and Tues-
day.

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1. Suburban Car Runs Two Blocks With
No Motorman.
Car Kills One and Injures Two.
Mother Slays Three Children.
2. Appeals for Funds to "Lift" the Pole.
Folk to Lecture at University.
Japan Is Buying Available Coal.
3. President's Talk Resembles Sermon.
Runaway Trolley Wrecks Building.
Impressive Services Held.
4. Applause Was One of Madden's Best.
Final Stakes Will End Racing Season.
Association Men Play Fast Games.
Fighting Talk and Ring Notes.
5. Hundred Mills Are Shut Down.
More Hopeful Tone in Wall Street.
East Side News.
National Guardsmen Will Get Their
Money.
6. Editorial.
Stage News and Notes.
Former St. Louisian Pastor Now at St.
Jacob's Church.
7. Railways Agree to Retrench.
Democrats Appear to Welcome Issue.
Ten Dead in the Tunnel.
Would Check Emigration.
8. Republic "Want" Advertisements.
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9. Republic Want Advertisements.
10. Sermons and Services at the Churches.
11. December Shirts Cover in Local Wheat
Markets.
Fruits and Vegetables.
Live Stock.
Markets by Telegraph.
12. All Their Plans Are Now Settled.
Dairymen Prepare New Milk Bill.
Women Volunteer to Help Charity Ba-
nquet.
Brigadier Stillwell Speaks.

HONOR THE NAME OF MISSOURI.

Every citizen of the State feels that the bat-
tleship Missouri should carry wherever she
goes a symbol of the Commonwealth's gen-
erous pride in the name. Not a county
should be missing when the list of contri-
butions is completed. Let the gift be worthy of
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